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The Honorable Julius Genachowski Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

tween s. I am writing to request your expedient consideration of the proposed merger between CenturyLink and Qwest Communications, in accordance with all legal processes.

It is my understanding that CenturyLink and Qwest Communications filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission on May 10 for approval of their proposed merger, and it has already received approval from the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission. The CenturyLink-Qwest merger will enhance the new company's ability to invest in broadband infrastructure and expand its offering of innovative services, such as Internet Protocol Television (IPTV).

I am confident you will conduct a thoughtful and timely review, and I appreciate your consideration of our views.

United States Senator



## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON

October 25, 2010

The Honorable Bob Corker United States Senate 185 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Corker:

Thank you for your letter supporting the proposed transfer of control between CenturyLink and Qwest. I value your perspective on the potential benefits of this transaction and I appreciate your interest in this matter.

Many of the issues associated with this transaction – investment in broadband infrastructure, extending broadband to rural areas, and job creation – are among my highest priorities as Chairman. The Commission takes seriously its evaluation of transfer of control applications; and you can be assured that it will consider these issues as part of its careful and deliberate review of this proposed transfer.

Your letter will be included in the record of this proceeding. If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Julius Genachowski